he Port of Los Angeles (LA), located on the southern portion of the California coastline, is one of the busiest ports in the United States. It is located on the San Pedro Bay about 20 miles from downtown Los Angeles. It is the largest container port in the United States; most of the agricultural exports and imports that pass through the port are containerized. In 2011, the Port of Los Angeles moved nearly 8 million 20-ft-equivalent units (TEU), of which about 11 percent or nearly 870,000 TEU were filled with agriculture-related cargo. The port of LA handles over 20 percent of U.S. animal feed exports, over 50 percent of cotton exports, and over 30 percent of orange exports.

Exports

The Port of Los Angeles moved almost 7.7 million metric tons of agricultural export cargo in 2011, nearly all of it in containers. The commodity with the largest volume was animal feed, representing approximately 31 percent of the port's agricultural exports. In addition, 52 percent of U.S. waterborne cotton exports were shipped through Los Angeles. The top shipping lines included APL and Hyundai Merchant Marine. The top destination markets were China, Taiwan, and Japan.

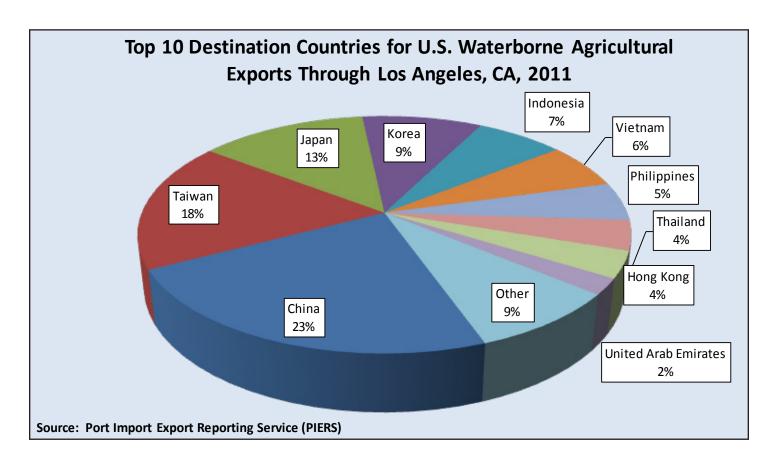
Top 10 U.S. Waterborne Agricultural Exports Through Los Angeles,			
CA, 2011			
Commodities	Metric Tons	Share	U.S. Share
Animal feed	2,398,113	31%	23%
Soybeans	1,109,107	14%	3%
Cotton	775,201	10%	52%
Grain products, cereal, flour	660,048	9%	2%
Meat	466,621	6%	21%
Hides and skins	383,773	5%	45%
Grocery items	280,462	4%	8%
Bulk grains	199,647	3%	1%
Oranges	190,272	2%	33%
Fruit	172,290	2%	16%
Other	1,031,077	13%	
Total	7,666,611	100%	5%

Source: Port Import Export Reporting Service (PIERS)

Top 10 Containerized U.S. Waterborne Agricultural Exports Through Los				
Angeles, CA, 2011				
Commodities	Metric Tons	*TEU	Share	U.S. Share
Animal feed	2,397,223	200,241	31%	36%
Soybeans	1,109,089	74,550	14%	40%
Cotton	775,144	77,774	10%	52%
Grain products, cereal, flour	659,910	42,720	9%	36%
Meat	466,348	42,646	6%	21%
Hides and skins	383,472	22,121	5%	45%
Grocery items	279,364	29,222	4%	10%
Bulk grains	199,647	12,284	3%	26%
Oranges	190,254	18,300	2%	33%
Fruit	170,259	20,048	2%	16%
Other	1,018,367	89,196	13%	
Total	7,649,076	629,103	100%	23%

Source: Port Import Export Reporting Service (PIERS)

^{*}Twenty-foot equivalent unit (TEU)



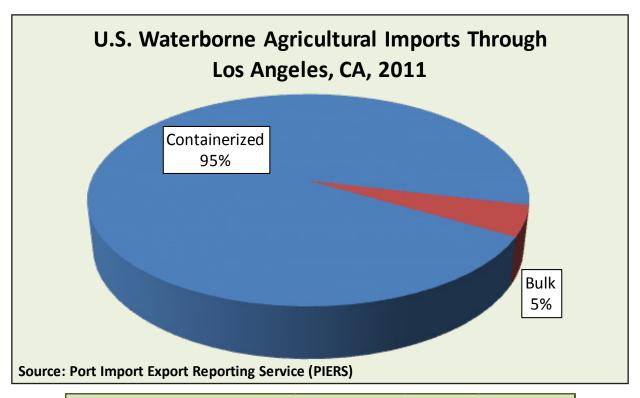
Top 10 Shipping Lines Moving U.S. Waterborne Agricultural Exports Through Los Angeles, CA, 2011

Commodities	Metric Tons	Share
APL	1,747,622	23%
Hyundai Merchant Marine	990,618	13%
Maersk	840,522	11%
Evergreen Line	790,016	10%
OOCL	646,954	8%
NYK Line	573,455	7%
Yang Ming Marine	414,050	5%
China Shipping Container Lines	376,055	5%
MOL	363,190	5%
Mediterranean Shipping	249,329	3%
Other	674,799	9%
Total	7,666,611	100%

Source: Port Import Export Reporting Service (PIERS)

Imports

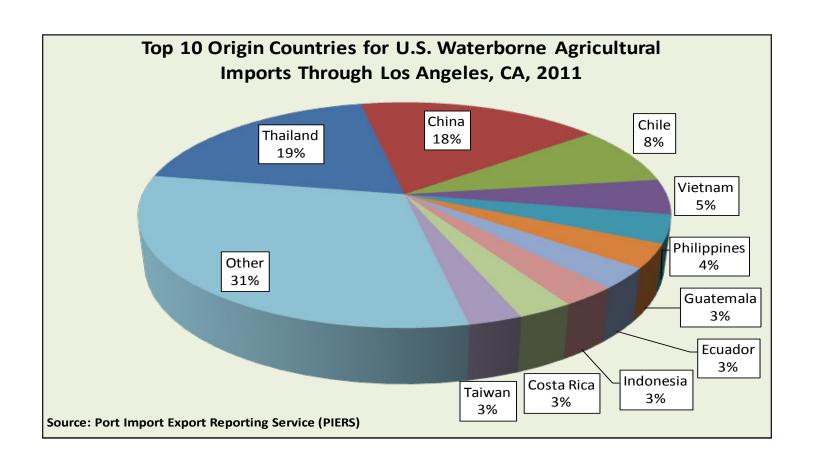
The Port of Los Angeles moved nearly 2.7 million metric tons of agricultural import cargo in 2011, about 95 percent of which were in containers. The top agricultural import was fruit, representing 13 percent of the port's agricultural imports and 15 percent of all U.S. waterborne fruit imports. Los Angeles also moved 31 percent of the total U.S. waterborne shrimp imports. The port's top shipping lines included APL, Maersk, and Evergreen. The top origin countries were Thailand and China.



Top 10 U.S. Waterborne Agricultural Imports Through				
Los Angeles, CA, 2011				
Commodities	Metric Tons	Share	U.S. Share	
Fruit	344,105	13%	15%	
Beverages	262,759	10%	10%	
Shrimp, prawns	200,735	7%	31%	
Frozen fish	171,849	6%	18%	
Grocery items	145,692	5%	10%	
Rice, crackers, pasta	139,257	5%	21%	
Beer, ale	115,752	4%	6%	
Canned pineapples	104,739	4%	18%	
Bananas	84,238	3%	2%	
Canned fish	82,759	3%	23%	
Other	1,073,606	39%		
Total	2,725,490	100%	7%	
Source: Port Import Export Reporting Service (PIERS)				

Top 10 Containerized U.S. Waterborne Agricultural Imports				
Through Los Angeles, CA, 2011				
Commodities	Metric Tons	*TEU	Share	U.S. Share
Beverages	262,759	19,716	10%	12%
Fruit	224,561	21,460	9%	13%
Shrimp, prawns	200,735	22,901	8%	31%
Frozen fish	171,831	17,294	7%	19%
Grocery items	145,672	14,454	6%	17%
Rice, crackers, pasta	139,257	8,615	5%	22%
Beer, ale	115,752	11,130	4%	6%
Canned pineapples	104,739	6,403	4%	26%
Bananas	84,231	8,241	3%	2%
Canned fish	82,759	5,280	3%	23%
Other	1,066,299	103,057	41%	
Total	2,598,594	238,550	100%	9%
Source: Port Import Export Reporting Service (PIERS)				

*Twenty-foot equivalent unit (TEU)



Top 10 Shipping Lines Moving U.S. Waterborne Agricultural Imports Through Los Angeles, CA, 2011

Shipping Line	Metric Tons	Share	
APL	603,450	22%	
Maersk	429,083	16%	
Evergreen Line	316,257	12%	
NYK Line	269,387	10%	
OOCL	223,570	8%	
Hapag Lloyd Line	220,157	8%	
MOL	126,629	5%	
Hyundai Merchant Marine	118,864	4%	
Nyklauritzencool	86,575	3%	
Yang Ming Marine	70,035	3%	
Other	261,483	10%	
Total	2,725,490	100%	
Source: Port Import Export Reporting Service (PIERS)			